

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows.

**IN THE ABSTRACT**

On page 38, lines 2-22, please delete the entire paragraph and replace it with the following:

A method of communicating data between a client and a server includes initiating a participating application for transmitting packets between a client and a server. The participating application participates in a transport protocol. The method also includes initiating a non-participating application for transmitting packets between the client and the server. The non-participating application does not participate in the transport protocol. Additionally, the method includes determining whether to transmit a packet from the client to the server using the participating application or the non-participating application.